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In re Appln. of: **Darin G. Schaeffer, et al.**

Appln. No.: **10/815,115**

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For: **PARTIALLY BIODEGRADABLE STENT**

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Sir:

**Attached is/are:**

- ☒ Reply to the April 17, 2007 Office Action (11p);  
☐ Return Receipt Postcard

**Fee calculation:**

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ Small Entity.  
☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$ \_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_ - month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).  
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Total		Minus			x \$25=			x \$50=	
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First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$180=			+\$360=	
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- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_ is enclosed.  
☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_ . A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.  
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Respectfully submitted,

July 2, 2007  
Date

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